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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4684615 A

TITLE: Stabilized isoenzyme control products

BSPR:

Isoenzymes, or isozymes, as they are alternatively referred to, are enzymes in multiple forms which are capable of performing the same general function but at different rates. They are sufficiently different in chemical composition so that they are generally separable electrophoretically. One such isoenzyme, lactate dehydrogenase (LDH) is found in five electrophoretically distinct fractions. Each of these electrophoretic species of LDH is a tetramer consisting of two polypeptide chain units, H and M, present in different proportion: H.sub.4, MH.sub.3, M.sub.2 H.sub.2, HM.sub.3, and M.sub.4. These five isoenzymes differ in catalytic activity (affinity for the substrate, pyruvate as measured by the Michaelis constant), amino acid composition, heat lability, and immunological responses. The two peptides H and M are coded by different genes. Thus the type of enzyme present is under genetic control and regulated by the conditions of the environment imposed upon the cell.

BSPR:

In accordance with the objects and principles of the present invention, isoenzyme control reagents are provided for creatinine kinase, lactate dehydrogenase, alanine aminotransferase and aspartase aminotransferase which are substantially stabilized by the addition of plexiform stabilizing means. The preferred plexiform stabilizing means is selected from the group consisting of maltose, mannitol, cellobiose and lactose with the latter most being the most preferred. The plexiform stabilizing means is advantageously provided in a final concentration range of about 2%-8% with the ideal concentration occurring at about 6%. The ideal isoenzyme control reagent will have substantially all water removed, such as by lyophilization, to assist in long term storage and stability.

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May 22, 1984

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 4450232 A

TITLE: Incorporation of pyridoxal phosphate in dry analytical elements for the determination of enzymes

Brief Summary Text (2):

The present invention relates to dry analytical elements which are useful in determining the amount of pyridoxal phosphate activated enzyme in a liquid sample. The elements of the present invention are particularly useful in quantitating aspartate aminotransferase and alanine aminotransferase enzymes.

Brief Summary Text (4):

Transaminase enzymes are enzymes which catalyze the transfer of an .alpha.-amino group from an .alpha.-amino acid to an .alpha.-keto acid. These enzymes are also sometimes referred to as aminotransferases. Two of the most clinically significant aminotransferase enzymes are L-alanine:.alpha.-ketoglutarate aminotransferase, EC 2.6.1.2 (commonly referred to as alanine aminotransferase or ALT) and L-aspartate:.alpha.-ketoglutarate aminotransferase, EC 2.6.1.1 (commonly referred to as aspartate aminotransferase or AST) (including mitochondrial and cytoplasmic isoenzymes).

Brief Summary Text (11):

Because of the importance of pyridoxal phosphate on the activation of the apo-enzyme form of AST and ALT, this activation has been widely studied. For example, it is known that in dilute solution, activation of the apo-enzyme occurs at low concentrations of pyridoxal phosphate. Thus, the IFCC recommends that the incubation be carried out in a 0.1 mmole per liter pyridoxal phosphate solution. Other studies have indicated that somewhat higher levels of pyridoxal phosphate might be desirable, for example, up to 0.3 mmole per liter. However, in solution, additional pyridoxal phosphate gave little, if any, further activation. In addition, because of the spectral absorption of pyridoxal phosphate and the possible inhibition of the coupling enzyme used in the indicator reaction of the assay, higher concentrations of pyridoxal phosphate are not used in solution assays (see Hafkenscheid et al, "Influence of Pyridoxal-5'-phosphate on the Determination of the Alanine Aminotransferase and Aspartate Aminotransferase of Commercial Test Sera", J. Clin. Chem. Clin. Biochem., Vol. 17, pp. 219-223, (1979); Soo-se Chen et al, "Modification of Pig M.sub.4 Lactate Dehydrogenase by Pyridoxal 5'-Phosphate", Biochem J., Vol. 149, pp. 107-113, (1975) and "Reversable Modification of Pig Heart Mitochondrial Malate Dehydrogenase by Pyridoxal 5'-Phosphate", Biochem. J., Vol. 151, pp. 297-303 (1975)).

Detailed Description Text (2):

The present invention is described in relation to dry analytical elements for the determination of AST and ALT. It will be understood, however, that other enzymes which are activated by pyridoxal phosphate are quantitated by elements containing a high level of this activator. By choice of suitable detecting reagents, enzymes such as other transaminases, for example glutamate-cysteine transaminase, and other transaminases described in table 16-4 on page 684 of Mahler et al, Biological Chemistry, Harper and Row, 1966; isomerases, for example isomers for analine, glutamate, proline, lysine and serine and dicarboxylases, for example those described in Mahler et al, cited above, at page 685, are determined.

Other Reference Publication (4):

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Feb 20, 1996

DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5492821 A

TITLE: Stabilized polyacrylic saccharide protein conjugates

BSPR:

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After a linker is coupled with a protein to form a linker group, the availability of an abundant number of hydroxyl groups on the linker group such as on a saccharide linker group provides enhancement of hydrophilic amino acid residue contacts.

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ORPL:

Margolin et al., Incorporation of D-Amino Acids into Peptides via Enzymatic Condensation in Organic Solvents, 109 J. Am. Chem. Soc. 7885-7887 (1987).

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West & Wong, Enzyme-Catalyzed Synthesis of Peptides Containing D-Amino Acids, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 417-418 (1986).

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5639633 A

TITLE: Method for synthesizing peptides with saccharide linked enzyme polymer conjugates

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CLPR:

1. A method for making a peptide, the method comprising reacting at least two amino acids with a water soluble enzyme polymer conjugate to produce a peptide and recovering the peptide, the enzyme polymer conjugate comprising covalently bonded enzyme to a polymer, wherein the polymer is selected from the group consisting of a polyvinyl polymer, a polyester polymer, a polyamide polymer and mixtures thereof, the polymer having a main chain molecular weight of at least 5,000, and wherein three or more linker groups covalently bond both the enzyme and polymer and said linking groups have at least three hydroxyl groups and not more than 60 carbon atoms, each of said linker groups being selected

from the group consisting of #STR26# wherein E=--OH or --SH;

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DOCUMENT-IDENTIFIER: US 5804402 A

TITLE: Reagent

Abstract Text (1):

This invention relates to a reagent for enzymatic determination of an analyte concentration in a patient wherein the degree of oxidation of a coenzyme is measured, characterized in that said reagent is stabilized against oxidation by a coenzyme reduction system comprising an enzyme and substrate pair selected so as to enable continuous regeneration of said coenzyme throughout storage of said reagent. Also disclosed is an improvement in an enzymatic method of determination of an analyte concentration in a sample body fluid wherein the degree of oxidation of a coenzyme is measured, the improvement comprising stabilizing a reagent comprising said coenzyme against oxidation by a coenzyme reduction system comprising an enzyme and substrate pair selected so as to enable continuous regeneration of said coenzyme throughout storage of said reagent. Also disclosed are reagents for the determination of aspartate aminotransferase, alanine aminotransferase, ammonia and urea.

Brief Summary Text (7):

The indirect quantification of enzymes, in particular, the transaminases, aspartate aminotransferase and alanine aminotransferase in sample body fluids may involve contrasting a sample "blank" against a sample in which the enzymatic conversion of an analyte associated with the enzyme of interest has taken place.

Brief	Summary	Paragraph	Table	(3):

Substrate Relative Activity

L-valine 74% L-isoleucine 58% L-norvaline 41%

L-norleucine 10% L-methionine 0.6% L-cysteine 0.3%

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** See image for Certificate of Correction ** TITLE: Transaminases and aminotransferases

Brief Summary Text (5):
The measurement of alanine aminotransferase and aspartate aminotransferase levels in blood serum is an important diagnostic procedure in medicine, used as an indicator of heart damage and to monitor recovery from the damage.

Detailed Description Text (68):

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TITLE: Transminases and amnotransferases

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catalysis, the presence of a bulky residue of appropriate size at each position is crit. for productive binding of substrate. ΑN 121:173879 CA Functional role of the amino-terminal mobile segment in catalysis by ΤI porcine cytosolic aspartate aminotransferase. Critical importance of Val17 and Phel8 for productive binding of substrates Nishimura, Kosuke; Higaki, Tsuyoshi; Okamura, Hitoshi; Tanase, Sumio ΑU CS Sch. Med., Kumamoto Univ., Kumamoto, 860, Japan J. Biol. Chem. (1994), 269(40), 24712-18 CODEN: JBCHA3; ISSN: 0021-9258 DT Journal LA English L6 ANSWER 5 OF 10 CA COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS DUPLICATE 3 The retina of honeybee drone is a nervous tissue with a crystal-like AΒ structure in which glial cells and photoreceptor neurons constitute 2 distinct metabolic compartments. The phosphorylation of glucose and its subsequent incorporation into glycogen occur in glia, whereas O2 consumption (QO2) occurs in the photoreceptors. Exptl. evidence showed that glia phosphorylate glucose and supply the photoreceptors with metabolic substrates. The authors aimed to identify these transferred substrates. Using ion-exchange and reversed-phase HPLC and gas chromatog.-mass spectrometry, the authors demonstrated that >50% of 14C(U)-glucose entering the glia is transformed to alanine by transamination of pyruvate and glutamate. In the absence of extracellular glucose, glycogen is used to make alanine; thus, its pool size in isolated retinas is maintained stable or even increased. The authors' model proposes that the formation of alanine occurs in the glia, thereby maintaining the redox potential of this cell and contributing to NH3 homeostasis. Alanine is released into the extracellular space and is then transported into photoreceptors using an Na+-dependent transport system. Purified suspensions of photoreceptors have similar alanine aminotransferase activity as glial cells and transform 14C-alanine to glutamate, aspartate, and CO2. Therefore, the alanine entering photoreceptors is transaminated to pyruvate, which in turn enters the Krebs cycle. Proline also supplies the Krebs cycle by making glutamate and, in turn, the intermediate .alpha.-ketoglutarate. stimulation caused a 200% increase of QO2 and a 50% decrease of proline and of glutamate. Also, the prodn. of 14CO2 from 14Cproline was increased. The use of these amino acids would sustain about half of the light-induced .DELTA.QO2, the other half being sustained by glycogen via alanine formation. The use of **proline** meets a necessary anaplerotic function in the Krebs cycle, but implies high NH3 prodn. The results showed that alanine formation fixes NH3 at a rate exceeding glutamine formation. This is consistent with the rise of a glial pool of alanine upon photostimulation. In conclusion, the results strongly support a nutritive function for glia. AN121:31478 CA Glial cells transform glucose to alanine, which fuels the neurons in the TΙ honeybee retina Tsacopoulos, M.; Veuthey, A. L.; Saravelos, S. G.; Perrottet, P.; AII Tsoupras, G. CS Sch. Med., Univ. Geneva, Geneva, 1211, Switz. SO J. Neurosci. (1994), 14(3, Pt. 1), 1339-51 CODEN: JNRSDS; ISSN: 0270-6474

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with a biphasic progress curve which was independent of protein concn. The half-lives of the two phases were 100 s and 2000 s. The data are consistent with a three-step mechanism, in which the overall rate of reassembly is detd. by an isomerization of I* to the assembly-competent monomer M. The latter does no accumulate because it dimerizes rapidly to the active enzyme (D). Reassembly of the enzyme from the compact intermediate M^* , which is **stable** at 1.0M guanidinium chloride, also proceeded in a rapid and a slow phase. Moreover, the formation of М* from the unfolded state was rapid, whereas its refolding to the native dimer was slow. Both the transient intermediate I* and the equil. intermediate M* qualify as collapsed intermediate or molten globule states. 116:230721 CA ΑN Collapsed intermediates in the reconstitution of dimeric aspartate ΤI aminotransferase from Escherichia coli Leistler, Bernd; Herold, Marzell; Kirschner, Kasper ΑU Dep. Biophys. Chem., Univ. Basel, Basel, CH-4056, Switz. CS Eur. J. Biochem. (1992), 205(2), 603-11 SO CODEN: EJBCAI; ISSN: 0014-2956 DT Journal LA English ANSWER 8 OF 10 CA COPYRIGHT 2001 ACS L6 The effect of i.m. administration of hydrocortisone (I) [50-23-7] (10 AB mg/day per animal) for 5 days on the content of the amino acids belonging to the glutamate family in different regions of the mouse brain, along with the activities of glutamine synthetase [9023-70-5], glutamate dehydrogenase [9029-12-3], and aspartate aminotransferase [9000-97-9], alanine aminotransferase [9000-86-6], tyrosine aminotransferase [9014-55-5] and ornithine [70-26-8] was studied. The activity of proline oxidase [9029-17-8] was also studied in these regions. The activities of Na+, K+-ATPase [9000-83-3] together with the content οf RNA and protein were also estd. A decrease in the amino acids of the glutamate family in all 3 regions was obsd. with an increase in glutamate dehydrogenase activity in the cerebral cortex. A decrease in the protein content was also obsd., mainly in the brain stem. An increase in Na+, K+-ATPase activity was obsd. in all 3 regions, with the greatest increase occurring in the cerebral cortex. Apparently, I triggers increased utilization of glutamate in brain as an alternative to glucose, thereby shifting N metab. toward catabolism. The increased activity of Na+, K+-ATPase under these conditions would further aggravate the same and may lead to membrane stabilization. 88:45451 CA ΑN Metabolic effects of hydrocortisone in mouse brain TΙ Sadasivudu, B.; Rao, T. Indira; Radha, C.; Murthy, Krishna ΑU Dep. Biochem., Kurnool Med. Coll., Kurnool, India CS Neurochem. Res. (1977), 2(5), 521-32 SO CODEN: NEREDZ DT Journal LA English L6 ANSWER 9 OF 10 MEDLINE ΑN 68130568 MEDLINE DN 68130568 PubMed ID: 5688916 Interaction of rat liver alanine aminotransferase with ΤI L-proline. ΑU Segal H L; Abraham G J; Matsuzawa T

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